What is claimed is:

1.  A method for adapting the storage of program guide information for a plurality of programs in a receiver, said method comprising:

   determining whether a channel is included within a scan list comprising a plurality of channels available for viewing; and

   deleting program guide information associated with said channel if said channel is not included within said scan list.

2.  The method of claim 1, wherein said deleting comprises:

   determining whether program guide information scheduled for said identified channel is scheduled for use with another channel; and

   deleting said program guide information if said program guide information is scheduled for use with no other channel.

3.  The method of claim 1, further comprising:

   storing additional information for at least one program scheduled on an available channel.

4.  The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of programs is broadcast from one of a satellite and a terrestrial broadcasting center.

5.  The method of claim 1, wherein each of said plurality of programs comprises at least one of a pre-recorded program, a live broadcast, and an advertisement.

6.  The method of claim 1, wherein said program guide information comprises Advanced Program Guide (APG) information.

7.     The method of claim 1, wherein said program guide information comprises a channel object containing program guide information for a channel, a schedule object containing program guide information for a program schedule, and program object containing program guide information for a program.

8.     The method of claim 7, wherein said step of deleting comprises:
        determining whether a program object referenced by a selected channel object is also referenced by a channel object associated with a different channel;
        deleting said referenced program object from memory if said program object is not referenced by another channel object; and
        deleting said selected channel object from memory.

9.     The method of claim 7, wherein said step of deleting comprises:
        determining whether a schedule object referenced by said selected channel object is also referenced by a channel object associated with a different channel;
        deleting said referenced schedule object from memory if said schedule object is not referenced by another channel object; and
        deleting said selected channel object from memory.

10.    Apparatus comprising:
        a tuner, for tuning a signal including program guide information;
        a demodulator, for demodulating said tuned signal;
        a decoder, for decoding said demodulated signal;
        a memory, for storing decoded program guide information, a scan list of at least one channel viewable on a program guide, and instructions; and
        a processor, upon executing said instructions, is configured to:
                determine whether a channel is included within a scan list comprising a plurality of channels available for viewing;

and

        delete program guide information associated with said

    channel if said channel is not included within said scan list.


5    11.    The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said channel selected for removal

is provided via an input device.


12.    The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said program guide information

is deleted if said program guide information is scheduled for use with no

10    other channel on said program guide.


13.    The apparatus of claim 10. wherein said at least one of said plurality

of programs is broadcast from one of a satellite and a terrestrial

broadcasting center.

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14.    The apparatus of claim 10,  wherein each of said plurality of

programs comprises at least one of a pre-recorded program, a live broadcast,

and an advertisement.


20    15.    The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said program guide information

comprises Advanced Program Guide (APG) information.


16.    An apparatus for adapting the storage of program guide information

for a plurality of programs in a receiver, said apparatus comprising:

25    means for determining whether a channel is included within a scan

list, said scan list comprising a plurality of channels available for viewing;

and

    means for deleting program guide information associated with said channel

        if said channel is not included within said scan list.